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Sir:

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German publication DE 101 50 948 (attached) is referenced on pages 1 and 6 of the application. Its corresponding PCT English language application WO 03/033192 A2/A3 is attached. (A U.S. equivalent – US 2004/0101706 A1 is not attached).

It is undersigned's understanding that the Examiner has access to the corresponding International Search Report and the Preliminary Examination Report for the present application. If incorrect undersigned will send them to the Examiner if so requested.

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